This conference will address effective ways of dealing with a critical incident or crisis situation in a school.

Who Should Attend This Conference?

Law Enforcement
School Administrators
School Safety/Crisis Planning Teams
First Responders
Mental Health Professionals



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Essex District Attorney's Annual School Safety Conference

Best Practices in
School Safety &
Emergency Response:
Newest Recommendations
from National Experts

With a training by the: United States Secret Service



April 9, 2008
Topsfield Fairgrounds
Coolidge Hall
Topsfield, MA
8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

United States Secret Service National Threat Assessment Center

Preventing Targeted Violence in School: Findings from the Safe School Initiative

In response to concern about the safety of America's schools and school children from acts of targeted violence in school, the U.S. Secret Service and U.S. Department of Education conducted the Safe School Initiative, an operational analysis of school-based attacks in the U.S.

The primary goal of the Safe School Initiative has been to provide information about the thinking and behaviors of students who have planned and carried out instances of targeted violence in American schools.

The purpose of the presentation is to share findings and materials from the Safe School Initiative that may help schools and communities better understand school-based attacks and assist them in developing strategies that may result in earlier identification, assessment, and intervention of students who pose a risk of targeted violence in schools.

The presentation will include a review of the Safe School Initiative, presentation of two school shooting case studies, and discussion of threat assessment for evaluating the risk a student may pose for targeted violence in school.

Fred Ellis, Director Office of Safety & Security Fairfax County Public Schools Fairfax, Virginia

Safety, Security and Emergency Management in Schools

This session will highlight best practices for considering both safety and security in schools while also addressing specific components of effective school emergency plans.

Participants will learn to:

- · Differentiate between issues of safety and those of security.
- Recognize the importance of school level plans and the efficacy of standard, simple procedures.
- · See the benefits for using plain, consistent language for response terminology.
- · Identify critical elements for inclusion in their school emergency plans.
- · Identify why system wide plans are necessary and be able to assess their district's preparedness status.
- · Recognize critical aspects of emergency management and the maintenance of procedures, infrastructure, training and relationships.

PDP's and Certificates of Attendance will be available at end of conference.

Registration Information

A \$30.00 registration fee will include continental breakfast and lunch

Registration deadline is April 4, 2008

Space is limited and the conference could fill up prior to the registration deadline.

Please register early!

There will be no registration at the door.

Name:		
Organization:		
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Confirmation and directions will be forwarded upon receipt of registration and payment.

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